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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement issued September 15, 2003, the applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of:

**Group I - claims 1-9 and 17-19 drawn to a prosthetic joint device.**

An action on the merits of these claims is respectfully requested at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,

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